which amounted to 10·51 million railway maunds and 7·99 million railway maunds respectively in 1950-51, the corresponding figures for the previous year being 9·96 and 7·01 million railway maunds. The quantity of imports under "Food, drink and tobacco" remained more or less steady and amounted to 7 43 (7·79) million railway maunds. Rice, gram and pluse, wheat and wheat flour, tobacco and salt were the more important articles of food imported into the State.

507. As in the case of imports, there was a further rise in the total exports of Marchandise from 7·20 million railway maunds in 1949-50 to 7·65 railway maunds during the year. The exports under "food, drink and tobacco" totalled 2·89 (3·35) million railway maunds. A noticeable increase was recorded in the exports under "raw materials" from 1·71 million railway maunds in 1949-50 to 2·36 million railway maunds during the year. The exports under "Articles wholly or mainly manufactured" was 2·39 (2·10) million railway maunds. As usual, coffee, cardamom, betelnuts, copra, groundnut, refined sugar, jaggery, tanned hides and skins and cast iron-pigs and castings figured largely in the export trade in merchandise. Exports.

(ii) Industries

508. The general industrial and commercial conditions in the State were adversely affected owing to several factors such as the sudden outbreak of the Korean war resulting in further inflation of prices, irregular supply of raw-materials, labour unrest, high cost of raw-materials, rising spiral of wages and the inadequacy of transport facilities. In addition to the above factors, a series of natural calamities that befell India in the form of drought, earthquake, floods and locusts were also contributory causes for the unsatisfactory state of industrial and commercial conditions during the year. The major industrial concerns of Government have exerted their best efforts to maintain their production programme. The large scale cotton mills in the State maintained a steady output.

509. Out of the applications received for the grant of industrial loans, loans were sanctioned to 8 applicants for an aggregate amount of Rs. 34,900 for starting or Financial Assistance.

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developing industries. Out of the 399 applications received during the year for the grant of loans under the scheme, "Financial Assistance to educated unemployed persons to start industries of their own" loans were granted to 115 applicants for an aggregate amount of Rs. 1,05,500 for starting or improving industries.

510. The department rendered technical advice and assistance to private industrialists in connection with the erection of and repairs to industrial plant and machinery.

511. The zonal scheme of distribution of salt to the Provinces and States in India was continued during the year. The total quantity of salt allotted to Mysore State under the scheme was 14,14,000 railway maunds.

Large scale Industries newly started.

Among the large scale industries and trading concerns that were floated or that commenced operations during the year were :—

512. SRI VINAYAKA MILLS, LTD., BANGALORE.—This concern was registered as a Joint Stock Company in the month of August 1950 with an authorised capital of Rs. 5,00,000 for the purpose of manufacturing and dealing in cotton, woollen, silk and rayon silks of all kinds.

SRI KRISHNA SPINNING AND WEAVING MILLS, LTD., SUBRAMANYAPUR, BANGALORE SOUTH TALUK.—This concern was started as a Joint-stock institution in the month of June 1950 with an authorised capital of Rs. 25,00,000 to carry on the business of spinners, dyers, and manufacturers in cotton, woollen, silk, hemp, etc.

B. M. S. SOAP WORKS, LTD., BANGALORE.—This was started in November 1950 with an authorised capital of Rs. 5,00,000 to carry on the business of manufacturing, producing, buying, selling and dealing in soaps of all kinds.

513. The following four concerns engaged in gold mining operations which were registered in England on a Sterling capital were registered on a Rupee capital as Joint-Stock Companies in the month of December 1950 with an

authorised capital as noted against each concern, to carry on the business of gold mining :—

		Rs.
1.	The Champion Reef Gold Mines of India, Kolar Gold Field, Ltd.	43,33,400
2.	The Mysore Gold Mining Company (Kolar Gold Field) Ltd.	81,33,400
3.	The Oorgaum Gold Mining Company of India (Kolar Gold Field) Ltd.	48,10,360
4.	Nandydroog Mines, Kolar Gold Field Ltd.	37,73,400

BRINDAVAN FILMS, LTD., BANGALORE :—This concern was started with a capital of Rs. 5,00,000 and registered in October 1950 with a view to carry on the business of manufacturing, producing and exhibiting of cinematographic films.

SHIVARAM DEVARAO UBHAYAKAR LTD., BANGALORE :—This was started in the month of September 1950 with an authorised capital of Rs. 5,00,000 with a view to erect a factory to carry on all kinds of job works.

POURVANI PRINTERS AND PUBLISHERS LTD., BANGALORE :—This concern was started in the month of March 1951 with an authorised capital of Rs. 5,00,000 for purposes of printing and publishing of newspapers, magazines etc.

514. In addition to the above big concerns, 32 other concerns with comparatively small investments were started during the year.

515. The total production and sales amounted to Rs. 2,65,327 (Rs. 1,79,000) and Rs. 3,02,784 (Rs. 1,87,385) respectively. Among the important works undertaken during the year were :— Central Industrial Workshop, Bangalore

1. Lamp posts, aluminium twisting joints, cut out boxes etc., to the Electrical Department.

2. Dummy plates, C. I. flanges, pipe clamps, G.M. plugs, etc., to the Public Works Department.

3. M. S. shaft gear wheel, rotary kiln rings blower pipes, etc., to the Mysore Paper Mills, Bhadravati. and

4. M.S. reinforcements and trusses to the Cauvery Valley Paper Mills, Ltd.

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Sri Chamarajendra Technical Institute, Mysore

516. This is the biggest institution maintained by the Department of Industries and Commerce for imparting training to artisans in fine arts, modelling, engraving, inlay work, wood carving, smithy, carpentry, rattan manufacture, etc. There were 153 students undergoing training in the Institute, of whom 149 were recipients of scholarships amounting to Rs. 7,347. The institute has been doing very good service to the artisans by giving them necessary suggestions for improving the designs and get up of their articles and keeping them for display and sale on consignment basis.

The Mysore Arts and Crafts Depot, Bangalore.

517. This depot is located in Civil Station, Bangalore, and has been growing in importance as a Sales Depot in respect of the several Government-owned and Government-aided Industrial concerns as well as private artisans in the State. The sales during the year amounted to Rs. 1,41,477.

The Government Soap Factory, Bangalore.

518. The Factory manufactured 517 tons of soap. The sales for the year amounted to Rs. 17,61,900. The sanctioned scheme of the renovation of the factory was under quick materialisation.

The Government Porcelain Factory, Bangalore.

519. The electro-porcelain articles, and crockery articles of the total value of Rs. 4,11,351 were manufactured in the factory during the year. The total sales during the year amounted to Rs. 9,34,634. A sum of Rs. 20,00,000 has been provided by Government for the expansion of the factory in the capital outlay budget for the current year.

The Government Electric Factory, Bangalore.

520. The production and sales of the factory during the year amounted to Rs. 32,02,649 and Rs. 35,00,042 as against Rs. 23,31,972 and Rs. 21,93,918 respectively during the previous year.

521. Arrangements were under way to stock essential materials and the purchase programme of Rs. 26½ lakhs was sanctioned.

522. Proposals made by the representatives of Westinghouse, U.S.A. involving a capital outlay of Rs. 800 lakhs for the manufacture of all electrical appliances were under the active consideration of Government.

The Mysore Coffee Curing Works, Ltd., Chikmagalur.

523. The Mysore Coffee Curing Works, Ltd., received 1,585 tons of coffee for curing.

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The Mysore Tobacco Co., Ltd., Bangalore.

524. The cultivation and curing of Virginia Tobacco during the year was continued in fifteen centres covering an area of 1,788 acres. The total quantity of cured leaf produced was 11,36,349 lbs and the total value of tobacco sold during the year amounted to Rs. 11,68,450.

The Mysore Chrome Tanning Company, Ltd., Bangalore.

525. The company continued to manufacture high class box and willow calf and side leathers suitable for shoes zuggrian leathers for army and sambar, suedes etc., B.T. sole leathers and East Indian Kips. The production and sales amounted to Rs. 7,56,729 and Rs. 8,74,000 respectively.

The Mysore Stoneware Pipes and Potteries, Ltd., Bangalore.

526. The production and sales amounted to Rs. 4,40,570 and Rs. 8,87,534, respectively

Industrial Education.

527. Excluding the Sri Chamarajendra Technical Institute, Mysore, there were nine industrial schools working under the control of the Department in the important District and Taluk headquarter towns of the State for imparting training to artisans in carpentry, smithy, weaving of cotton and wool, lacquerware manufacture, sandalwood carving, etc. The total output and sales of the articles manufactured in these institutions amounted to Rs. 44,342 and Rs. 52,203 respectively during the year.

528. *Private Industrial Schools.*—The S. L. N. (Sri Lakshmi Narasimha) Charities, Bangalore, and the Methodist Mission Industrial School, Tumkur, were the only two private industrial schools working during the year.

529. *Home Industries Institutions.*—There were 31 Institutions where classes in Home Industries were held with the aid of grants amounting to Rs.12,650 from the Department for imparting training to women in tailoring weaving, knitting, braid making, embroidery etc.

Rural and Cottage Industries.

530. There were 57 cottage industrial centres working in several parts of the State. Facilities were afforded as usual for training artisans in industries like mat-weaving, pottery, rattan manufacture, carpentry, smithy, tanning, lacquerware manufacture, coir making, brass works, etc. Articles worth Rs. 65,662 were produced and articles worth Rs. 55,239 were sold in the several centres during the year.

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531. The Department participated in the several Exhibitions held in and outside the State during the year.

532. A scheme for the expansion of fruit preservation industry at a cost of Rs. 2,00,000 was under the consideration of Government.

Administration of Special Acts.

533. Consequent on Federal Financial Integration and extension of the Indian Patents and Designs Act, 1911 to Part 'B' States including the State of Mysore by the Indian Patents and Designs (Amendment) Act, 1950, the proceedings under the pre-existing corresponding laws on the subject in the State were discontinued during the year in accordance with the instructions conveyed by the Government of India, Ministry of Industry and Supply. All cases pending under the said pre-existing Act and the Registers of Patents and Designs were forwarded to the Controller of Patents and Designs, Calcutta.

The Mysore Steam Boilers and Prime Movers Act.

534. The total number of boilers in commission at the end of the year was 343. The boiler registration and inspection fees on account of Travelling Allowance amounted to Rs. 13,971.

535. Consequent on the appointment of the Commissioner of Labour in Mysore as the Chief Inspector of Factories with jurisdiction over the whole State, the work relating to the administration of the Mysore Factories Act was transferred to the Commissioner of Labour. Similarly the work relating to the administration of the allied Acts namely (1) The Mysore Maternity Benefit Act, (2) The Mysore Payment of Wages Act and (3) The Mysore Cotton Ginning and Pressing Factories Act was also transferred to the Commissioner of Labour.

536. There were 578 Factories on the Register at the beginning of the year. Twenty-nine Factories were brought within the purview of the Act during the year and thirteen factories were removed from the Register consequent on the cessation of their work. The total number of factories on the Register at the end of the year was 594.

(iii) Marketing Department.

Weights and measures

537. During the year 74,602 units of weights and measures were presented for testing as against 52,048 in the previous year. Of these, 70,127 units of weights